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Charles L. A. Terreni, Esquire
Chief Clerk of the Commission
Public Service Commission of South Carolina
Post Office Drawer 11649
Columbia, SC 29211

Re: Petition of the Office of Regulatory Staff for Commission to Order a Rule to Show Cause as to Why the Respondent Water and/or Wastewater Utilities Should Not Be Ordered to Cease Charging for Services and Penalized
Docket No. 2009-508-WS

Dear Mr. Terreni:

Since filing the referenced Petition, two of the three utilities named in the Petition have come into compliance. The third utility is in bankruptcy. Therefore, ORS requests an abeyance of the proceeding for 60 days. Our intent is to resolve the matter; upon resolution we will request a withdrawal of the Petition.

Thank you for your assistance with this matter.

Best Regards,

C. Lessie Hammonds

CC: All parties